(b) whether Government are aware that in the mushroom growth of these industrial units, the workers are not paid the minium wages and other facilities as per the law of the land; and

(c) if so, what steps Government propose to take in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION (SHRI BANDARU DATTATRAYA): (a) Small and tiny units do contribute significantly to the revenue of Delhi Government though information on their exact contribution is not available.

(b) and (c) The workers engaged in the small industrial units of Delhi are being paid the minimum wages fixed by the Government of Delhi from time to time under the Minimum Wages Act, 1948. However, as and when any complaint regarding non-payment/less payment is received, the same is looked into an efforts are made to ensure that the workers are paid the minimum wages. In case the Management fails to comply with the provisions of the Minimum Wages Act, necessary legal action as provided under the Act is taken againt the defaulting managements.

The workmen who are not being paid minimum wages can a file their claims before the Authorities appointed under the Minimum Wages Act, 1948, i.e. the officers of the Labour Department.

Houses for Low Income Group in Rajasthan

1562. SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) the number of houses built for low income group in Rajasthan during the last three years; and

(b) whether there is any schedule to build such houses in rural area of Rajasthan?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION (SHRI BANDARU DATTATRAYA): (a) The Housing & Urban Development Corporation Ltd. (HUDCO), a Central Public Sector Enterprise, extends loans to State Governments for implementing various housing programmes. Details of

dwelling units sanctioned by HUDCO for low income group families in the State of Rajasthan, during the last three years are given below:—

Year	Dwelling units sanctioned for LIG in Urban Areas
1997-98	1722
1998-99	1684
1999-2000	324

(b) HUDCO has not received any proposals for providing assistance for Low Income Group (LIG) under Rural Housing from Rajasthan in the last three years.

Project to Revive the Glory of Historic Cities

1563. SHRI K. RAMA MOHANA RAO:
SHRI C. RAMACHANDRAIAH:

Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government have taken up a project to revive the glory of historic cities;

(b) if so, the details of the project; and

(c) the number of cities that have been taken up under the project?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION (SHRI BANDARU DATTATRAYA): (a) to (c) A scheme has drawn up for rejuvenation of culturally significant cities. Preliminary work in this regard has been done and the detailed provisions of the scheme are under discussion with the State Governments and the Planning Commission. The scheme is likely to be given final shape shortly. Its basic objective is to ensure that these culturally significant cities become vibrant centres not only of civic life but also of economic, social and cultural advancement. The cities to be covered by the scheme would be decided in consultation with the State Governments but it is proposed as a general preposition to select at least one culturally significant town in each small State and two in the large States.